

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

EXAMINER: P. BASKAR

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APPLICANTS: FORSSMANN ET AL (PCT)

TITLE:

A METHOD FOR DETECTING THE CONDITION OF AN ORGANISM THROUGH THE MEASUREMENT OF PEPTIDES

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(3)

BOX FEE AMENDMENT ATTN:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated APRIL 24, 2001, for three months, from JULY 24, 2001, to OCTOBER 24, 2001. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(3), is a check in the amount of \$460.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a SMALL Entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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Check in the amount of \$460.00 Enclosure:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 2023, on October 24, 2001.

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Respectfully submitted,

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